

# Meditations On The Story Of Christ

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## Opening Devotions

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Lord, have mercy.

**Christ, have mercy.**

Lord, have mercy.

**Our Father who art in heaven  
hallowed be thy Name  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread  
and forgive us our  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us  
And lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil. Amen**

### **Meditation 1: The Annunciation**

We adore You, O Christ, and we bless You.

**Because by the Annunciation Mary was given the news she was chosen by God to bear His only Son.**

God did not withhold Himself

**But utilized His angels to bring Good News to the Virgin Mary.**

**Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, have mercy upon us.  
(x3)**



### **Meditation 2: Shepherds hear the News**

We adore You, O Christ, and we bless You.

**Because by your shepherds came Good News of the birth of our Savior**

The Lord has given this Good News for all

**For the Lord our God is our Good Shepherd Who lays down His life for the flock**

**Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, have mercy upon us. (x3)**



### **Meditation 3: The birth of Jesus**

We adore You, O Christ, and we bless You.

**Because through Your incarnation we have come to know You deeper**

We will glory in the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**In Whom is our salvation, our new life and resurrection.**

Surely He has become flesh

**And dwelt among us.**

**Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, have mercy upon us. (x3)**

### **Meditation 4: The Presentation at the Temple**

We adore You, O Christ, and we bless You.

**Because through Your servants Simeon and Anna news of Your salvation came to the world**

Their words were prophetic and meant for all

**That the stumbling block that was offensive to some would be an inspiration of new life to others.**

**Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, have mercy upon us. (x3)**





### **Meditation 5: Jesus Talks with Elders in the Temple**

We adore You, O Christ, and we bless You.

**Because through the listening and asking of questions Jesus grew in understanding.**

Whoever does not listen and ask questions

**Cannot expect to grow in faith.**

**Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, have mercy upon us. (x3)**

### **Meditation 6: John the Baptist**

We adore You, O Christ, and we bless You.

**Because the message of repentance has come through Your servant John the Baptist.**

Assist us, O Lord God of hosts

**Make straight the crooked paths in our lives and bring us new life.**

**Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, have mercy upon us. (x3)**





### **Meditation 7: Jesus calls His Disciples**

We adore You, O Christ, and we bless You.

**Because by Your calling we are given ministries of servant hood.**

But as for me and my house, I will serve the Lord

**Joined with others in the Body of Christ to partner with our God in mission**

**Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, have mercy upon us. (x3)**

### **Meditation 8: Jesus heals the sick**

We adore You, O Christ, and we bless You.

**Because through the Holy Spirit You have given us the gift of healing.**

Those who sowed with tears

**Will reap with songs of joy and healing.**

**Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, have mercy upon us. (x3)**





### **Meditation 9: The Good Samaritan**

We adore You, O Christ, and we bless You.

**Because You have called us to be Good Samaritans to the poor and those in need.**

They crossed to the other side of the road and passed him by

**And when I was hungry, you gave me food, when I was thirsty you gave me drink. I was hurt and you bandaged my wounds**

**Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, have mercy upon us. (x3)**

### **Meditation 10: Jesus visits Mary and Martha**

We adore You, O Christ, and we bless You.

**Because You have given us Mary and Martha as models of hospitality and servant hood.**

He was led to Bethany for fellowship and strength for His journey

**And Mary and Martha demonstrated their love for the Lord.**

**Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, have mercy upon us. (x3)**





### **Meditation 11: The Garden of Gethsemane**

We adore You, O Christ, and we bless You.

**Because in the garden You discerned the way forward to be the way of the cross.**

My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from Me

**Yet not My will but Thine be done**

**Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, have mercy upon us. (x3)**

### **Meditation 12: The Way of the Cross**

We adore You, O Christ, and we bless You.

**Because by Your holy cross You have redeemed the world.**

The Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.

**For the transgression of my people He was stricken.**

**Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, have mercy upon us. (x3)**



## In the Easter Season



### **Meditation 13: The Women Come to the Tomb**

We adore You, O Christ, and we bless You.

**Because the commitment to faith helps us through grief and sorrow**

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

**Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, have mercy upon us. (x3)**

### **Meditation 14: The Emmaus Road**

We adore You, O Christ, and we bless You.

**Because You come to us in the breaking of bread**

Do our hearts not burn within us?

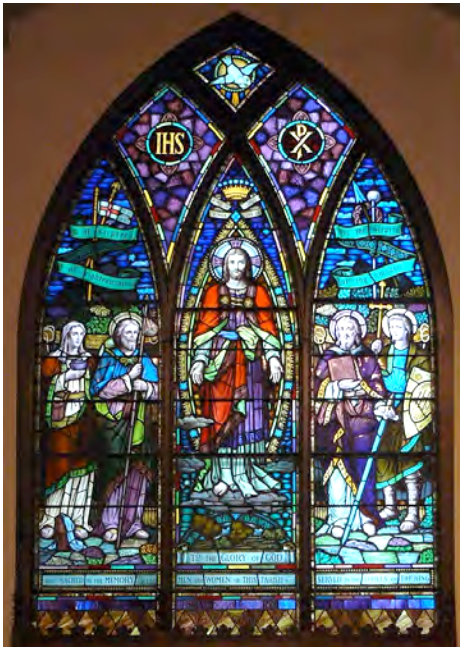
**As He talks with us on the way?**

**Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, have mercy upon us. (x3)**





## At the East Window



Savior of the world, by Your cross and precious blood You have redeemed us:

**Save us, and help us, we humbly beseech You, O Lord.**

Let us pray. *(Silence)*

We thank You, heavenly Father, that You have delivered us from the dominion of sin and death and brought us into the kingdom of Your Son; and we pray that, as by His death He has recalled us to life, so by His love He may raise us to eternal joys; Who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

To Christ our Lord Who loves us, and washed us in His own blood, and made us a kingdom of priests to serve His God and Father, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. **Amen.**